

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-10 (canceled)

Claim 11 (new): A fastening member, comprising a root portion and a driven portion formed from sheet plate, wherein:

the root portion has a first end and second end, the root portion has a mediate portion formed with two completely enclosed elongated slots extending in a longitudinal direction of said root portion;

the outer edges of said root portion adjacent said slots are each formed with a ratchet portion;

the driven portion has an end extended from the first end of the root portion; and

said second end of the root portion has two opposite sides each formed with an inclined face having a first end located adjacent to the respective slot, an oblique blade having a first end extended from a second end of the inclined face, and tip extended from a second end of the oblique blade, said tip being formed by first and second sides extending from said second ends of said oblique blades and defining an included angle of approximately less than seventy degrees.